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IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

~~A method of improving the recognition accuracy of a speech recognizer. The method includes deploying the speech recognizer in an environment to receive live input data. The live input data is used as inputs to a given speaker independent adaptation algorithm is recognized. The algorithm is then used to enhance the accuracy of the speech recognizer without human supervision. This technique is useful for adapting a large vocabulary ASR engine.~~

A technique for improving the recognition accuracy of a speech recognizer includes deploying the speech recognizer, wherein live input data is received by the recognizer as an input for a given speaker independent adaptation algorithm associated with the speech recognizer. The algorithm enhances the accuracy of the speech recognizer without human supervision. This technique is particularly suitable for adapting a large vocabulary ASR engine.